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ADVANCED PASSENGER INFORMATION SYSTEM
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Advanced Passenger Information System (APIS) has become operational at various airports in the country;

(b) if so, the details alongwith its features;

(c) whether it is proposed to extend the scheme to all the international airports in the country in the near future; and

(d) if so, the time by which the above scheme is likely to become operational?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) & (b) : As per the notification issued by the Government, in the Ministry of Home Affairs, Advanced Passenger Information System (APIS) has become operational w.e.f 1.8.2008 at the six international airports viz Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Hyderabad, Bangalore and Cochin. All the international airlines are required to provide specified information in respect of incoming passengers on every flight operated into India in a flat file. As a futuristic proposal, it has been decided to implement APIS in the centralised mode whereby data would be received at a single address in the country.

(c) & (d): It is proposed to extend APIS scheme to all the international airports in the country in a phased manner.